NTSB ID: FTW95FA094

Aircraft Registration Number: N9461R

Occurrence Date: 01/18/1995

Most Critical Injury: Minor

Occurrence Type: Accident

Investigated By: NTSB

Location/Time

Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip	Distance Fro	m Landing Facility:		Direction Fro	m Airport:
LUBBOCK	TX	79400	0903	CST	
Nearest City/Place	State	Zip Code	Local Time	Time Zone	

Aircraft Information Summary

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Aircraft Manufacturer	Model/Series	Type of Aircraft
CESSNA	208B	Airplane

Sightseeing Flight: No

Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

HISTORY OF FLIGHT:

On January 18, 1995, at 0903 central standard time, a Cessna 208B, N9461R, was destroyed during a forced landing near Lubbock, Texas. The airline transport rated pilot received minor injuries. Instrument meteorological conditions prevailed for the instrument cross country 14 CFR Part 135 flight operated by Martinaire, Inc. of Dallas, Texas.

According to several witnesses and the pilot/operator report, the airplane departed from intersection foxtrot, at the Lubbock International Airport, runway 35L, at 0901 on an instrument flight plan to Midland, Texas. The pilot established initial contact with departure control at 350 feet above the ground. The pilot's next transmission was "eight seventeen goin back to the field." At 0903, the emergency locator transmitter was heard by departure control.

The pilot reported that she arrived at the airport at approximately 0630. She reports that she started the engine and "checked all anti-ice, de-ice systems." She cleaned snow off the cowling, the windshield and "lowered flaps, using small stepladder swept snow from aircraft." The aircraft was loaded and taxied to a nearby FBO. She asked a lineman to assist her by removing remaining snow from the top of the aircraft and then departed. During the instrument departure climbing turn, at 400 feet above the ground, the pilot "heard a decrease of power, felt surge, scanned engine instruments." The aircraft began to lose altitude and the pilot landed in a snow covered field.

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Weight and balance calculations were performed using figures provided by the manufacturer, the operator, and the pilots' Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) records. An estimate of the weight of the airplane at the time of the accident was 8,301 pounds. Intentional flight into known icing conditions in this airplane is limited by the Pilot's Operating Handbook to 8,000 pounds. Examination of the airplane and engine at the accident site did not disclose any mechanical problems.

The engine was removed from the accident airplane and taken to Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Services, Inc. facilities at Addison, Texas for further evaluation. It was determined that there were no indications of any anomalies or distress observed to the engine components that would have precluded normal operation prior to impact.

A review of the airframe and engine records by a FAA inspector did not reveal any anomalies or uncorrected maintenance defects prior to the flight.

METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION:

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A review of the weather data revealed that just after midnight a light rain started falling on the ramp where the airplane was parked. The temperature was dropping steadily. By 0519 the precipitation had turned to light rain, light snow, and fog. By 0625 the rain stopped, and the light snow and fog continued until after the accident.

A witness stated that he helped the pilot clean the snow off the airplane. Under the snow, he noticed that 80% of the airplanes wing was covered with a coarse layer of ice from 1/16 to 3/16 in thickness that was not removed. The airplane took off less than five minutes later.

A fireman from the City of Lubbock Fire Department, stationed at Lubbock International Airport, arrived at the accident scene at 0920. He reported "I noticed a considerable amount of snow and ice on the wings of the aircraft. Some of the snow was obviously thrown up on the wing as it skidded over the snow covered ground as it had mud in it. Some of the ice on the wing was a coating approximately 1/16th of an inch thick that had a rough texture that looked as if deposited by freezing rain. It was much rougher than a really rough orange skin."

WRECKAGE AND IMPACT INFORMATION:

The airplane came to rest one mile from Lubbock International Airport on a magnetic heading of 020 degrees in a flat field of winter wheat. The 438 feet long ground scar had a measured heading of 095 degrees. The first propeller blade was located 168 feet north of the main ground scar. The second and third propeller blades were located 107 feet and 26 feet north of the main ground scar consecutively.

Flight control continuity was confirmed. The engine was broken from its mounts and forced under the airplane on the pilot's side. The fuel cells were not compromised. The belly pod was crushed on first impact and its contents distributed along the path of the main ground scar.

ADDITIONAL DATA:

The wreckage was released to the owner's representative upon completion of the investigation.

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AVIATION	Occurrence Type: Accident													
Landing Facility/Approach In	formation	•												
Airport Name Airp					Airport Elevat Ft.	ion MSL		way Used	Runwa	way Length		Runw	ay Width	
Runway Surface Type:							<u> </u>							
Runway Surface Condition:														
Type Instrument Approach: NONE														
VFR Approach/Landing: Forced Landing														
Aircraft Information														
Aircraft Manufacturer CESSNA				odel/S 08B	eries					Serial 2088	Numbe 0076	er		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Normal														
Landing Gear Type: Tricycle														
Homebuilt Aircraft? No						Certified Max Gross Wt.					er of Engines: 1		: 1	
				Engine Manufacturer: Model/Series: P&W PT6A-114						Rated Powe 600 HP				
- Aircraft Inspection Information														
Type of Last Inspection			Date of	Date of Last Inspection Time Sin				nce Last Insp	Airfran	ne To	tal Time			
AAIP			12/05/	12/05/1994					76 Hours				3984 Hours	
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information													
ELT Installed? Yes	ELT Operat	ed? Ye	s			ELT	Aided i	n Locating Ac	cident S	ite? No	1			
Owner/Operator Information														
Registered Aircraft Owner			Street Address P.O. BOX 308											
CESSNA FINANCE CORP			City	City							State	е	Zip Code	
			WICHITA KS 67 Street Address									67201		
Operator of Aircraft				8030 AVIATION PLACE										
MARTINAIRE,INC.			City DALLAS						State TX		Zip Code 75235			
Operator Does Business As:			-	Operator Designator Code: MXIA								. 0200		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:														
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s)	: On-demand Air	Taxi												
Operating Certificate:					Operator C	ertific	cate:							
Regulation Flight Conducted Unde	r: Part 135: Air Ta	axi & Co	ommute	er	•									
Type of Flight Operation Conducted	d: Unknown													
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AVIAT	Occurrence	Occurrence Type: Accident											
First Pilot Information													
Name	City	State					Date o	of Birth	Age				
On File					On File	ïle				n File	On F	ile	38
Sex: F Seat Occupied	n Pilot	ot Certificate Number: On File											
Certificate(s): Airli				•									
Airplane Rating(s): Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land													
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None													
Instrument Rating(s): Airplane													
Instructor Rating(s): Airp	lane Multi-e	ngine; Airpla	ane Single-	engine; Inst	rument A	irpla	ane						
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? Yes Current Biennial Flight Review?													
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- Flight Time Matrix	ht Time Matrix All A/C This Make and Model		Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Mult-Engine	Night		Actual	rument Simulat	ted	Rotorcraft Glide		Glider	Lighter Than Air
Total Time	2542	514	2369	268	3	312		7	151				
Pilot In Command(PIC)	2307	514	2345	250		09		135			-		
Instructor Last 90 Days	912	111	890	20		50	10)			+		
Last 30 Days	31	114 31	114 31			+					+		
Last 24 Hours	2	2	2		1								
Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shou	ılder Harness	Used? Yes	-	То	Toxicology Performed? No Second Pilot? No)
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Flight Plan/Itinerary													
Type of Flight Plan Filed: IF	R												
Departure Point				-	St	State Airport Iden		port Ident	tifier	fier Departure Time		ïme	Time Zone
Same as Accident/Incide	ent Location					LBB		BB		0901			CST
Destination					St	State Airport Identi		tifier					
MIDLAND					T	TX MAF							
Type of Clearance: IFR													
Type of Airspace: Class	D												
Weather Information													
Source of Briefing:													
Flight	Service Sta	tion											
Method of Briefing:													
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Weather Information														
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	. WC	F Elevati	ion	WOF D	istance F	rom Acci	dent Site		om Accident Site			
LBB	0915	CST		3256 Ft.	MSI				1 NM			270 Deg. Mag.		
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Sky/Lowes	st Cloud Condition: Sca	ttered					300 Ft.	AGL	Condition o	f Ligh	Light: Day			
Lowest Ce	illing: Overcast	:	2200 Ft.	AGL	Visit	oility:	1.5	SM	Alti	imeter: 30.00		"Hg		
Temperatu	ure: 0 °C	0 °C	°C Wind Direction: 340 Density Altitude: 26								Ft.			
Wind Spee	ed: 7	Gusts:			Weather Condtions at Accident Site: Instrument Conditions									
Visibility (F	RVR): 0 Ft.	Visibility	y (RVV)	0	SM	Intensi	ty of Preci	pitation:	Light					
Restriction	s to Visibility: Fog													
Type of Pr	ecipitation: Snow G	rains												
Accident	Information													
Aircraft Da	mage:	ircraft Fir	re:				Aircraft Exp	Aircraft Explosion						
Classificati	on:													
- Injury Su	mmary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Mino	or	None	TOTAL							
First Pi	ilot				1			1						
Second	d Pilot													
Studer	nt Pilot													
Flight I	nstructor							\neg						
Check	Pilot							\neg						
Flight E	Engineer							\neg						
Cabin /	Attendants													
Other (Crew						1							
Passer	ngers													
- TOTAL /	ABOARD -				1			1						
Other (Ground	0		0	o			0						
- GRANI	O TOTAL -	0		0	1			1						

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Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

JAMES F. STRUHSAKER

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